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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Applicant has filed a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) herewith under 37 CFR 1.114. In connection with this RCE, Applicant requests that the following amendments be entered:

In The Claims:

Please amend claims 1 and 8 as follows:

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1. (Three Times Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a promoter nucleotide sequence that initiates transcription

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